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## KIDDIES SEE SANTA COME DOWN CHIMNEY

Youngsters Perform in Christmas Concert Before Large Audience in Knox Church

Santa Claus actually came down the chimney in real story-book fashion at the Christmas concert in Knox Church last Friday evening. It was a tight squeeze, and required all the agility the old fellow possessed, but Santa made it.

His appearance at the bottom of the chimney was greeted by the children with shouts of joy and applause of delight, and the smiles on the faces of the adults showed they were enjoying it too.

A splendid program of songs, recitations, drills, and skits was presented to a packed house, and every number was loudly applauded.

Santa Claus arrived at the conclusion of the concert program and his jovial be-whiskered countenance and cheerful words of greeting brought gladness to the hearts of the kiddies. Santa distributed bags of candies and nuts to the youngsters before departing in haste to make their calls.

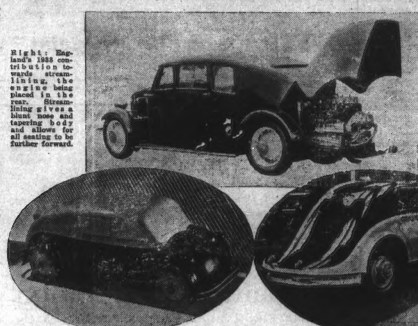
### CONTEST WINNERS

Following are the winners in the doll and coaster wagon contest held by Billie's Dressage prior to Christmas. The first two winners in the girls' contest received doll carriages, and dolls were given to the others. The three boys won coaster wagons.

**Girls' Contest**  
1. Marion Smith; 2. Ruth Morrison; 3. Myrtle Douglas, Gem; 4. Dorothy Mary Travis; 5. Margaret McRurt; 6. Elsie Boyce; 7. Donna Mae Sambrook; 8. Margaret Flanagan; 9. Doris Loreque, Countess; 10. Jacqueline Stinson; 11. Audrey Cawsey; 12. Shirley Easterbrook.

**Boys' Contest**  
1. Billy Becher; 2. Bobby Wright; 3. Ralph Burrows Jr., Countess.

## Streamlining Breaks "Horse-and-Buggy" Precedent



Above, Left: An American design undergoing wind-tunnel tests, and which makes a complete break from all horse-and-buggy precedent. Engineers have found that a blunt nose and tapering body offers the least resistance to wind conserves fuel, places all the passengers forward of the rear wheels and permits of chassis improvements that eliminate lumps and ripples in riding.

Engineers of three of the world's great engineering nations are devoting more and more of their time to the study of aero-dynamics, or streamlining. The Institute of Aero-Dynamics Research predict there will be revolutionary changes in the automobiles of the future.

## ORPHEUM THEATRE

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY THIS WEEK  
WINNIEFRED SHOOTER AND OWEN NARES IN  
"THE LOVE CONTRACT"

An appealing comedy romance. The story concerns the wealthy and attractive Antoinette who, thru foolish speculation on the stock exchange loses all her money to Norville Carrington, a handsome bachelor. Antoinette makes a deal with him whereby she agrees to regain all her wealth, and many amusing situations follow.

MIDNIGHT PRE-VIEW NEW YEAR'S EVE  
commencing five minutes past Sunday midnight  
A HILARIOUS COMEDY FARCE  
"Her Bodyguard"

with an all star cast.  
Also the usual preliminary comedy.

## COUNTNESS NEWS

COUNTNESS, Dec. 27—Miss McRoberts is spending the holidays with her parents in Calgary.

Peter Marquess is visiting with friends in Glen.

Don't forget the dance at Countess Friday, Jan. 5; good music and a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gamble had as guests Christmas Day, Miss Marie, Robert, and Paul Chamberlain, and Mr. and Mrs. Blum.

Mr. Hey went to Aldrie on Friday to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Swanson, Mr. Hatley and Miss Vera Wagner, ate Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McLauch.

Mrs. John Ferguson left Wednesday for their new home near Rimby, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. Gamble and Darrin returned to Calgary on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ferguson return.

## JUVENILES WIN 4-2 OVER JUNIORS

Juveniles Play Good Hockey to Beat Short-handed Junior Team

The local Juvenile Hockey Club closed the season with a 4-2 victory over the local junior team last Friday at the Bassano rink. The stellar performance of Don Maurer in the juvenile net coupled with the fast skating and clever stick-handling of the forward lines gave the juveniles a well-earned victory. The juniors were short-handed, Fink and A. Ford being absent, and MacLean, Wright and Warren had to play the entire game. They didn't have the reserve power to keep up with the fast clip set by the juveniles, but they pressed hard in the opening of all three periods, and only Maurer's good work in goal kept down the score.

Bassano scored for the juveniles in the very center in the 1st period when he picked up the rubber from a scramble near the junior goal and drove it past Bacon. The second period opened at a fast pace. But the junior forward line tired and the game slowed down considerably. The juveniles scored a fluke goal when the puck straggled off MacLean's skate and slipped into the net. D. Ford counted the juvenile's third goal on a nice play. The third period began with wide-open play. MacLean carried the puck thru the whole team to beat Maurer for the junior's first goal, and the juveniles came right back with another goal scored by D. Ford. MacLean scored again a few minutes later.

Juniors: Bacon; McKern, Thompson; Marquard; MacLean, Wright, Warren.

Juveniles: Maurer; Marquard, Angell; D. Ford, Stiles, Bassarab, O. Smith, A. Cawsey, P. Thomson. The ice was in fine condition. The night was too cold for spectators, and only a small crowd witnessed the game.

## Juveniles To Play Gem Team Friday Night

The Bassano juveniles and a team from Glen will clash in a hockey fixture at the local rink Friday night this week, Dec. 29. The game starts at 8 p.m.; adults 35c; children 10c. The juveniles are playing a good brand of hockey, and the game with Glen promises to be a fast exhibition.

Juveniles are also scheduled to play their first game at Glen next Monday, New Year's Day, at 8:30 p.m.

## Sandgates Home Saved from Flames

Two Lads Put Fire on Roof of House and Sound Alarm

Fire did about \$150 damage to the house of Howard Sandgate Christmas night and \$50 to \$60 damage to the contents. The blaze was spotted about 10 p.m. by Bob Harper and Lowell Sambrook, who immediately sounded the alarm. Flames were shooting up thru the roof, and it looked like a serious fire. Firemen arrived in a few minutes. The flames were quickly put out with fire extinguishers and bucket, wet water, and soon had the blaze under control.

The fire started around a stove-pipe which passed through a partition between two rooms. The flames spread quickly to the ceiling and were coming thru the roof when the two boys noticed the fire and sounded the alarm.

Mr. and Mrs. Sandgate were in Calgary at the time. The house is owned by the town.

Iained a number of relatives on Christmas Day.

The Christmas concert held at Countess was well attended, and the children did their very best. After the concert presents were presented to each child, also a bag of candy and nuts. Coffee, sandwiches, and cake were served at a late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Bottwick and Mr. and Mrs. Cowan of Mapleton, spent Christmas Day at the H. Cowan home.

HOLIDAY NEW YEAR'S DAY  
Next Monday, New Year's Day, is a public holiday. All stores will be closed, so arrange your shopping accordingly for Saturday. The stores will be open all day next Wednesday.

## Bonspiel Staged In Sub-Zero Weather

Simpson Reaches Finals in Grand Challenge and Has Won Every Game So Far—Becher Also Undefeated—Bonspiel Staged in Sub-zero Weather

First rink to reach the finals in the local bonspiel is that skipped by Artie Simpson, who turned back MacGregor 11-9 in the semi-final of the Grand Challenge. Simpson, who has been playing a strong game since the opening of the bonspiel, is so far undefeated. Becher has played three games without a loss and gained the fourth in the Grand Challenge by defeating Dr. Scott 15-9. The other contender in the finals of this event has not been decided. Dr. Keith and E. P. Currie having not played.

Play in the second round of the Merchants event has just started. MacGregor defeating Gayford 8-5. Sub-zero temperatures have prevailed since the bonspiel opened Tuesday noon, and curlers have to keep moving to keep warm.

John Mackintosh of Brooks, entered only visiting rink, and with the local entries brought the total up to sixteen rinks.

Following are the results of the game plays due to Thursday afternoon.

**Grand Challenge**  
First round: John Mackintosh of Brooks defeated St. A. Holmes 15-10; Bob MacGregor had an easy win over Larry Edwards 11-5; Art Simpson gave W. K. Webb a bad beating with a count of 15-7; Roach had no trouble winning from Roy Gayford 15-9; Dr. A. G. Scott beat MacLaws 11-9 in a close game; J. Becher defeated H. P. McDonald 12-11; Dr. W. P. Keith won from Geo. B. Stiles 14-7; E. P. Currie defeated W. S. Weir 12-10.

Second round: MacGregor defeated the Mackintosh rink from Brooks 11-9 in 13 ends; Simpson won 10-7 over Roach; Becher defeated Dr. Scott 15-9.

Simpson defeated MacGregor 11-9 in the semi-final round of the Grand Challenge.

**Merchants' Event**  
First round: MacLaws defeated Webb 13-12; Weir defeated Holmes 11-7; Simpson defeated Dr. Keith 12-9; Becher defeated Scott 11-9; Roach defeated McDonald 11-7; Gayford won over Currie 14-9; Geo. E. Stiles defeated MacGregor 8-6; Edwards won from Mackintosh by default.

Second round: MacLaws defeated Gayford 9-8 in a close game. All rinks who fail to reach the four six the two main competitions qualify for the Consolation. Draw for this event will open soon.

Games on the "Skiel" Roads blocked with snow and extreme cold weather prevented Husar curlers coming down for the "Skiel" rink. The rinks came down strong last season and took home some of the best prizes.

The sudden changes in temperature during the past week made ice building difficult, and the rink manager has had plenty of trouble with the ice. The bonspiel opened with both teams in poor condition. The ice was rough and full of little holes which became larger as play progressed, and judging a rock was often a matter of chance. The game was so faint it was sometimes impossible for a skip to tell which rock was shot. The ice was much better the second day of the "Skiel".

The MacGregor rink wore their tam o'hanter and a'. With Bob MacGregor skipping, Donald MacGregor playing third, D. Hart second and A. A. MacGregor lead, they line up as a pretty fair aggregation. Not a great deal of experience, but plenty of enthusiasm. They were laying down some nice rocks in the second round of the Grand Challenge when they put out John Mackintosh of Brooks, a thirteen and game with a score of 11-9.

## Explosion Endangers Sergt Cawsey's Home Christmas Morning

Christmas Morning Movement Suddenly Interrupted When Kitchen Range Explodes—Fire Threatens

A rear disaster was averted in the home of Sergt. J. N. Cawsey, R.O.M.P., when an explosion in the kitchen range on Christmas morning threatened to destroy the house with fire. The members of the household battled smoke, flames, and red hot coals for several minutes before the blaze was extinguished.

A dynamic cap in the coal is believed to be the cause of the explosion at 9:00 a.m., which blew all the lids off the top of the kitchen range, scattering burning coals in all directions. The red hot coals fell on the floor and on tables, chairs, and other furniture, setting fire to the woodwork above, and setting fire to the window. The explosion burst the water front in the stove and water spouted over the furniture. It required several minutes of quick action to beat out the flames and save the house.

The children were playing with the Christmas toys in the living room and the older boys were warned to be ready to remove them from the house should the fire spread.

Mrs. Cawsey, who was leaving the kitchen at the time of the explosion, received a slight burn on a flying red coal. There were no other injuries.

## CROWFOOT NEWS

CROWFOOT, Dec. 27—A very nice concert and dance in the Makapsee school last Thursday evening. Everyone reports a very enjoyable time.

Thomas Rodbourne, who is attending the University of Alberta, is home for the holidays.

The concert and dance in Crowfoot school last Friday evening was very well attended, and everyone reports an evening of splendid enjoyment.

Miss Eleanor Hefflebower is home for the holidays. She is attending the Mount Royal College in Calgary. Mr. Clark and Johnnie Clark, Mrs. M. Moore, of Vernon, B. C., spent Christmas Day visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rodbourne.

The Simpson team and L. J. Conner are spending the holidays at their home in Warner.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Robertson spent Christmas with Mrs. Robertson's parents in Glen.

Tom Weeks, who has been working in the Glen vicinity, is home for the holidays.

Howard Larson is spending the holidays at his home in Redcliff.

Mr. and Mrs. O. McCurdy and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Campbell and Vert spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Holman.

Miss Mildred Jorgensen, who has been working near Trail, is home for the holidays.

Miss Irene Brooks, teacher at Grinneth school, returned to her home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crum spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. P. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Holman, of Calgary, spent Thursday visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. Holman, and stayed for the concert and dance that night.

Geo. Bray and Ralph Peddie spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Bray.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodbourne spent the week-end in Calgary.

The Misses Hilda and Leah Rodbourne, of Calgary, spent Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Rodbourne.

The people of this district join the Crowfoot correspondents in wishing the editor and the people of the surrounding vicinities a very happy and prosperous new year.

### MOCKEY NOTES

Artie Simpson, Jake Hulmer and Ralph Marquard are playing with the Glenish Gunters again this week. The Glenish Gunters play with the Gunters forward line in a game at Glenish Wednesday.

The juveniles beat the Byrockets 4-1 in a team game in a practice game Tuesday night.

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In 1904 Canada's population was 4,262,000, and ordinary expenditures for all governments were \$120,000,000. In 1931 the population had increased to 10,575,000, and expenditures rose to \$220,000,000. The population increased about 63 per cent, while government expenditures increased more than 700 per cent. Is it any wonder taxes are high?

The new streamline cars are faster and more comfortable. Perhaps they'll enable us to catch up with prosperity. And we wonder how they are on rounding corners.

#### THE NEW YEAR

The year 1934 will be rung in with shouts of welcome in all corners of the world. Perhaps the enthusiasm will not be so much for what 1934 promises to bring us as for the passing of a year of strife, turbulence, plucking and scraping, and even legendarily economy. Nineteen thirty-four was such a year. It was brought in with cheers, shouting, and hopes for better times, but it has disappointed everybody. About the only thing 1934 has done is to further demonstrate our capacity for "taking it on the chin." If any further demonstration was required to show our ability of meeting and battling with adversity, then 1934 has given it.

This may be somewhat harsh treatment of the old year for man's difficulties are largely brought on himself and his inability to cope with modern problems.

The one bright spot in the economic world is the British Isles. The Old Country has put her house in order. She has balanced her budget, shows a surplus in the unemployment fund, increased trade and employment, and has just completed the most successful season of Christmas business since 1914.

Other nations are casting envious eyes toward Britain's achievements. They are planning to remodel their own national policies to meet the present situation, and it may result in a general improvement throughout the world. In the United States President Roosevelt's new deal is meeting with many obstacles. So far it has not accomplished as much as was hoped for, and it is even reported to come "quarters," a complete failure.

In Canada we read of improvement in trade index figures and bank clearances. At the same time it is quite evident that charitable and relief organizations are being called upon to give more assistance than ever before. One cheerful note to the Christmas trade, which is said to be generally greater than last year.

Coming right home to this part of southern Alberta, we find conditions are very trying indeed. A light crop sold at low prices has caused a scarcity of money, and a famine has taxed the ingenuity of everyone.

But we have pulled thru. We have survived a most difficult year in spite of dire predictions of what might happen if there was no turn for the better. That is a cheering sign. It proves our resourcefulness in the face of adversity. It illustrates in convincing manner the hardy stock we western people spring from.

We have suffered a good many setbacks but we are still in the game, and we will carry on and enjoy the pleasures of better times when those better times come—as they must surely do.

And so with no further backward glances to 1933, we extend a glad hand of welcome to 1934. What the new year has in store for us we know not, but we have hopes of better times and confidence that whatever the year does bring we have the courage to meet it and make the best of it.

#### High Pressure

The musical instrument salesman were having a convention. Finally the chairman called upon the young man who had won the prize for selling the most saxophones. He was asked to tell how he was so successful.

"I move into a large apartment house," explained the salesman, "and play a saxophone for a week. Then I hung out a sign saying 'Saxophone for sale,' and everyone in the place comes in to buy."

#### Proof

"This is a good restaurant, isn't it?" asked the customer of the waiter who had brought his order.

"Yes," replied the waiter. "If you order a fresh egg you get the freshest egg in the world. If you order a good cup of cocoa you get the best cup of cocoa in the world, and—"

"Yes, I believe it. I ordered a small steak."

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## STILES, "The Druggist"

## Happy New Year

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#### Honors Even

The street-corner orator had been called on to answer more questions than he expected, and he was becoming rather muddled.

"Tell them all you know," shouted a heckler during an awkward pause. "It won't take you long."

"I'll tell them all we both know," replied the orator, "and it won't take us any longer."

Philadelphia: "Are you a white-collar man?"  
Pittsburgh: "For the first time of the morning."

Only a Month Old  
Friendly Gaffer (to player searching for lost ball): "What sort of ball was it?"  
Caddie (baiting in): "A brass new one—never been properly 'it' yet."



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**SECOND INSTALLMENT**  
John Drane, prosperous Westcott man of mystery, is visited by William Drane and by a boyhood chum, Simon Judd. As he speaks to them, a young girl, Amy Drane, approaches him.

"What was it, Amy?" John Drane asked.

"Oh, nothing!" she said. "It was only about Robert; whether you wanted to see him now, but if you have visitors—"

"This evening, perhaps," John Drane said. "But, one minute Amy. This is an old friend of mine—"

"Oh, black my cat! when were we kids, why don't you say, huh?" Simon Judd demanded. "He's afraid to tell you how long ago this was, huh?"

"Yes, one of my boyhood chums," John Drane said, smiling slightly. "Simon Judd, in fact. And Judd, this is my grand-daughter, Amy."

The girl gave Judd her hand and for a minute or two they talked, the girl smiling and Judd laughing for no reason but because of his own unending good humor; then, she said, having learned that the Jolly fat man might stay a day or two, that both were willing for her and after a word of greeting to Dart, she hurried away. She did not like Dart; she had never liked him; she could not imagine what her uncle John saw in him.

Dart stood stroking his grey beard, studying Simon Judd as the big man climbed the veranda steps. From the rear the movements of the man from Riverbank were at-

most grotesque as he hoisted his great bulk from step to step.

"I think," Dart said, when John Drane turned at the top of the steps, "I'll come back later on—tomorrow, perhaps."

Drane scowled his annoyance.

"Now, don't do that, William," he said. "You know I don't like to have my plans deranged. You said you would stay the night and I have counted on it. I want to thrash that matter out with you. Don't be a fool!"

"I only thought, as you had Mr. Judd here—"

"Now, that's just why I want you to stay," John Drane said. "If Simon and I get to talking boyhood days we'll never go to bed. Don't you see, I'll be talking over the old days, I'll never stop."

"Can't stop me either, I got started, that's sure enough," laughed Simon Judd. "Talking my long suit, and always was, I guess, but don't you folks let me bust up any plans you've made. If you want to talk, I've got a lot of stuff I've got to read over—some of it I come down to New York to get hold of. I been made Chief of Police here home, John."

"That's interesting. At seventy, too, Simon," Drane said.

"Yes, I guess they got around to where they thought they needed some brains at last," Simon Judd chuckled. "Folks do, sometimes. Yes, sir, made me Chief of Police of Riverbank, sure as you're a foot high and old."

William Dart had come up the steps and taken one of the wicker chairs. He put his elbows on his arms and now began revolving his thumbs, leaning forward and look-

ing at the admirable quality. Dart, for one. Now, if you fellows had anything to talk over—"

"We can do that later," John Drane said. "Tell me about Riverbank; not many changes, I suppose?"

"Well, yes," Simon Judd said, pulling at his cigar. "Say, this ain't such a bad smoke, is it? You quite a few changes, John. Main Street ain't changed much, but tout around—you'd be surprised. Say, that niece of yours I see mighty nice girl, ain't she? You didn't say she was your niece, did you?"

"I said she was my grand-niece," said John Drane, and William Dart and Drane took cigars, but Judd hesitated.

"Mostly I smoke a pipe, John," he said, "and when I do go in for a cigar, I kind of like the 'em dark and strong. But I don't know; I'll look up at him suddenly. There was a question in his eyes—a question and right. If he feared anything, however, there was no sign of anything to fear in Simon Judd's face. The fat man was finding unexpected pleasure in his cigar.

"She stay here with you all the time?" he asked.

"She's making her home with me—yes," John Drane answered.

"That's nice—nice to have young folks around," Simon Judd said. "And, as I was saying about the changes in Riverbank, you know that field where we used to go to hunt rabbits? Bailey's field, John? Well, you'd never know it—all built up with houses, streets and all, gas and electric, sewers, everything!"

"You remember little Ros, Gartner's daughter used to run the Western Hotel? He developed that part of town—"



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ing off over the lawn.

"Yes, sir, John," Simon Judd continued cheerfully. "I been all my life tryin' one thing and another, but you can't discourage a good man; sooner or later he's got to find out what he's made for. There was one time I tried preachin' and it looked awfully like that was going to be it, but I ain't got the voice for it—when I got to let those voices get squeaky on me. There was awhile I tried the butcher business, but sight of blood always did make me faintish, so I sort of gave that up, too. But I got the right thing now, John. Pretty near ever since I was a boy I've had a leanin' toward it."

"Being a policeman?" William asked.

"Judge trainin'," explained Simon Judd, turning toward the little man in black. "Huntin' out who done the crime. What you call detective work. I feel I got genius that way."

"And that's what brought you to New York, Simon?" Drane asked.

"Are you on the track of criminal?"

"Lands o' goodness, no!" laughed Simon Judd, slapping his huge thigh. "Why, I ain't started in yet. I don't get my head set till first of the year. No, sir! I come down here to have a look around and see how these New York detectives calturi manage the business. And I must say they're right tight to strangers; told me a lot of things; gave me a lot of pamphlets and the thing and another. It's got to help me a lot, John; I got the genius for it, all right; but I got to brush up on the technique now or then. I guess, though, maybe I'll get along all right."

Norbert, a self knowing what was desired, appeared on the veranda with cigars—long slender high-

light ones waiting for her employer. She stood near her chair and seemed to be suffering, for her eyes were closed and she held one hand the veranda until dark, when Norbert called them to dinner.

On Sunday mornings John Drane and his household usually slept later than usual and breakfast was not served until nine. At nine, the morning, Mrs. Vincent—who for many years had sat at the foot of John Drane's table behind the coffee pot and toaster—stood in the break-

fast room with Simon Judd talking and John Drane asking a question now and then, after she remained there against the small of her back. She was actually in great pain, for she was a diabetic and at times the pains caused by her condition were almost more than she could bear.

Presently, as no one appeared in the breakfast room other than the maid, Josie, Mrs. Vincent drew out her chair and seated herself, ready to arise at momentary notice. Her face was unusually pale, of the natural to those suffering from her disease, but she was dressed as always, neatly.

"Josie," she said presently, with considerable effort, "I think you had better have Norbert call Mr. Drane and the other men again. They can't have gotten up."

"Yes, ma'am," the maid said. "If they felt the way I do they never would go to bed."

"You're not so well this morning?"

"Oh, I feel just awful," the girl exclaimed, almost in tears. "I don't hardly feel like I could drag through the day, I'm that weak, Mrs. Vincent."

"Your heart again?"

"Yes, like always, only last night it pained me worse than ever it did. It was something terrible, Mrs. Vincent."

"You don't know what's the matter with us—all sick like we are," the housekeeper said. "You better tell Norbert."

The girl went to find the negro houseman. She returned almost immediately.

"He's got one of them awful coughing spells again," she said. "I guess I'll have to go myself, and I don't feel hardly able."

She looked at Mrs. Vincent, but that poor woman was suffering.

"I guess you'll have to go, Josie," she urged to say. "I've got to save myself for breakfast. Mr. Drane don't like it for me to be away from breakfast," and the girl went.

On the veranda—of it was there the small family gathered before breakfast in nice weather—Amy Drane was sitting on the arm of a chair looking thru the pages of the huge Sunday newspaper, and she had just opened wide a double page of brown illustrations when she heard a piercing scream from the floor above and the fall of a body to the floor. She threw aside the paper and, swinging open the screen door, ran up the wide stairs. In the hall Simon Judd, trousered but coatless and with his suspenders hanging, was coming down the passage from the yellow guest room as heavily as his huge bulk could move, and at the open door of John Drane's room the girl Josie lay stretched on the floor unconscious. Amy Drane was about to bend down to raise her when her eyes glimpsed her uncle on his bed and she stood white and speechless, petrified with horror.

The old man, her uncle, lay with his head thrown back against the pillow, his glassy eyes staring at her, and the front of his pajamas

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coat was sodder with blood from a series of crop involving 10,962 farm- acres. The loss on this area was only about 11 per cent, it being estimated that 44 per cent of the crop was saved. Over 70 mixing stations were operated and over 8,700 tons of bait distributed. Investigation of this fall have shown that the area affected next season in Alberta will be somewhat larger, probably about five million acres, but the infestation will be somewhat lighter.

(continued next week)

## Grasshopper Campaign Planned for 1934

The pesky grasshopper, which caused a lot of trouble thru the western states and western Canada the past season, is going to be even more pestiferous next summer, according to indications given by investigations which have been going on this fall. In the north-western states drastic action is to be taken next year to meet the hopper situation. It is from these states that the hoppers generally see into start in their sweep across our wheat country. Following a conference recently held at Fargo, North Dakota, a delegation has been sent to Washington to ask for a vote of three million dollars to fight the grasshoppers next year. At Regina a few weeks ago western Canadian officials discussed the situation as it exists in the three prairie provinces. Last season Alberta was fortunate in being able to keep the loss of crop from hoppers down almost to a minimum, thanks to the thorough and efficient campaign carried on by provincial, federal and university authorities. The area affected in Alberta last year was about 3,600,000

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## Happy New Year

It has been a pleasure to do business with the people of Bassano and neighboring districts during the past twelve months.

We wish them all good health and good fortune in 1934.

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## BIRTHS

The following births were recently recorded at the Basano Hospital.

A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maurer, Basano, on Sunday, Dec. 24.

A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Conley, Humber, on Monday, Dec. 26.

A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. John Jones, Basano Dam, on Thursday, Dec. 22.

We wish to say "thank you" to our friends for their assistance in helping our little daughter win a doll buggy in Sister Rexall doll contest.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics, agricultural branch, looks for a 200,000,000 bushel wheat crop in Argentina this year, and a crop of from 150 to 165 million bushels in Australia.

The first shipment of Canadian cattle to London arrived on Tuesday.

## HEALTH

A HEALTH SERVICE OF THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES IN CANADA.

## POSTNATAL PEOPLE

"What a lucky person!" exclaims the thoughtful individual. Good health is not a matter of chance or luck. Good health is the reward for proper living. It is just as important to display the same intelligence in health matters as is devoted to business and other affairs of life.

The woman who dies of cancer is not unlucky. She has been either ignorant of, or has discovered the early signs of the disease. The woman who has recovered from cancer went to her doctor as soon as she noticed a lump in her breast, or some irregularity in her periods. Call her lucky if you like, but it was really the fact that she paid attention to what she knew that saved her life.

The child who died from diphtheria was unlucky because he was the child of parents who knew ignorant or careless, with the result that he did not receive the injections of toxoid that would have protected him against the germs of diphtheria. Fortunately is the child who is born to a mother who recognizes the importance of breast-feeding, and who knows that vaccination against smallpox and immunisation against diphtheria are practical means of safeguarding the child. Fortunately is the child whose parents realize that child care is a difficult task, for which training is required.

Good teeth are the product of a proper diet and care. No amount of luck will give strong, sound teeth to the child who does not receive in his diet the minerals and vitamins required to build healthy teeth. This proper diet requires some understanding of food values and calls for planning on the part of the mother; it cannot be secured by chance.

A healthy child is a well-trained child. A healthy mind and body are the reward for good training. Health calls for a certain amount of self-discipline which is reasonably easy for the adult who secured a proper start in life thru good training.

We are not all born with the same degree of intelligence or the same physical capacities, but what becomes of us is not a question of good luck or of bad luck; it depends upon how well trained we are as children, and how, as adults, we make use of our training to take care of ourselves in order that we may enjoy physical and mental health.

Questions concerning Health, addressed to the Canadian Medical Association, 134 College St., Toronto, will be answered personally by letter.

Mrs. Wm. Holman, of Milo, is a patient in the local hospital. She is getting along well after an operation for appendicitis.

H. W. Harper is a patient in the Basano Hospital.

Miss Henrietta Deegan was able to leave the hospital for Christmas after recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

The United States' government deficit on Wednesday passed the \$1,000,000 mark.

## SCHOOL REPORT

Following is the school report for grades 5 and 6; months of November and December.

Grade 5  
1 Leonard Schaffer 92.5; 2 Helmer Helmke 92.3; 3 Robert Weir 88.6; 4 Graham Cathro 88; 5 Elaine Sambrook 87.9; 6 Ruth Appley 86.4; 7 Clara Lippert 86.3; 8 Alyce Cawver and Billy Finmer 84.8; 10 Gerald McBride 84.5; 11 Richard Travis 83.9; 12 Collins Morrison 82; 13 Mary Walsh 81.8; 14 Lillie MacLean 79; 15 Ian Jordan 81.4; 16 Tommy Pragnell 78; 17 Leslie Love 76; 18 Nellie Kamp 75.2; 19 Opal Taylor 71.1.

Grade 6  
1 Jean Marquardt 92.3; 2 Criss Playfair 91.8; 3 Minnie Kamp 88.2; 4 Bobbie Currie 87.7; 5 Eric Brook 85.4; 6 Archie MacLean 84; 7 George Marquardt and Freda Shehal 83.4; 9 Henry Lippert 82.3; 10 Alma Jordan 81.9; 11 David Walsh 81.4; 12 Norma Eagle 78.4; 13 Bob Pragnell 78; 14 Dora Berlinger 76.1.

Prizes for penmanship: grade 5, Lillie MacLean; grade 6, George Marquardt.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
Rev. John Hart, Minister  
December 31st

Sunday School at 11 a.m.

Divine Service at 7:30 p.m. Gorman.

"The Possible Happy New Year."

Come to Church for a saving vision of life.

## LOCAL NOTES

Miss Jean Finmer is home from the Humber district for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. A. G. Scott and son George spent Saturday afternoon in Calgary. The highway near Chestermere Lake was blocked with snow, and they were delayed several hours. Miss Amelia Grunberg spent Christmas with her sister in Calgary.

Art Thompson came home from the University of Alberta, Edmonton, for the Christmas season.

School Principal L. N. Whitehorn is spending the holidays at his home in Donalda, Alta.

Jas. N. Donaldson came home from Calgary for Christmas weekend. Jimmie was recently transferred to the Calgary male office of the Royal Bank.

Miss Winifred Playfair is home the Calgary normal school for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wright and baby boy, of Nobleford, Alta., arrived Sunday evening and are spending the Christmas vacation with Mrs. Wright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Simpson. Mr. Wright is playing the local hospital on Art Simpson's risk.

The midnight pre-view at the Orpheum Theatre Monday night was an attractive feature for local theatre-goers, and drew a good-sized house.

The Basano Women's Institute will start its new year by meeting at the home of Mrs. Corbett. It is the desire of the organization to increase the membership for 1934. Each member is urged to bring at least one prospective member to the meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Allyn Johnson, of Calgary, on Saturday, Dec. 18.

Miss Annie Calder, of Medicine Hat, is visiting with Mrs. McKee. Stuart Murdoch, of Trail, B. C., is spending the Christmas holidays with his mother and sister here.

The regular Board of Trade meeting of last Wednesday, Dec. 27, was cancelled. Nothing of immediate importance was on the agenda, and with many members playing in the local hospital a slim attendance was feared.

Lloyd Leonard, printer on the Chinook Advance, came home for Christmas weekend.

Miss Agnes McCarter is able to be around again after being laid up for several weeks with an injured foot.

Miss Marjorie Bocus is spending a few days at her home in Tilley.

Maurice Edwards, Basano's only entrant in the Calgary Herald road race, finished the annual Christmas classic in 22nd place. Forty-seven runners finished the race. Maurice was handicapped in being unable to get into proper training condition because of the extremely cold weather during the past few weeks.

Miss Violet Klug was home from Calgary for Christmas.

Miss Grace Scher is spending the school Christmas vacation at her home near Strathmore. Miss Viola McCannell went home to Calgary for the holidays, and Miss Grace Dunlop to her home at Stettler.

We wish to thank all those who helped Billy with a wagon in the Recall contest.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Beeber.

## PICTURE PROGRAM FRIDAY &amp; SATURDAY

## New Year's Eve Program

"The Love Control," an appealing comedy romance, is filed to show at the Orpheum Theatre Friday and Saturday of this week, Dec. 28 and 29. This is a British and Dominions production starring Winifred Shotter and Owen Nares. The story is about a wealthy and beautiful girl who loses her money on the stock exchange to a handsome sceler. When Antonette tells him she needs employment he jokingly tells her she can have a job as his chauffeur. The girl takes the job with the agreement that if she makes good in three months he will return her wealth. The situations which follow are most amusing.

"Her Bodyguard," starring Edwin Love, Winifred Gibson, and an all-star cast, is booked for a showing New Year's Eve. The performance commences five minutes past Sunday midnight. "Her Bodyguard" is a farce comedy that will keep you laughing from beginning to end; a Paramount picture.

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A gift for your friend on New Years Day will be appreciated

Happy New Year!

We extend to everybody our best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year in 1934.

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